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PRELIMINARY REMARKS

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Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-referenced application for Reissue, please enter and consider the following remarks.

Claims 1, 8, 10 and 13 have been amended to correct minor typographical errors.

Claims 16-44 are new. Accordingly, Claims 1-44 are pending in this reissue application.

In each of claims 1, 8, 10 and 13, the work "phtalimido" has been replaced by the conventional spelling of -- phthalimido -- .

Claims 16-24 are directed to compounds disclosed in the specification at columns 9 and 10. Particularly at column 10, lines 27-47, wherein the claimed compounds are described in the context of intermediates in the preparation of the originally claimed pyrazolo[3,4-d]pyrimidines. More particularly, with reference to formula (I), the specification